

NOTARY PUBLIC.

J. F. FARISH, REPUBLIC BUILDING.

CITY ITEMS.

IF the people are not at Crawford's to-day in full force we will be much mistaken; you will find goods at 50 cents on the dollar in every corner of their great store.

AFTER a trying summer DR. SIEGERT'S Angostura Bitters enrich the blood,

FORMAL CALL TO DOCTOR PLUNKETT.

Central Presbyterian Church, South, Chooses Successor for Former Pastor Carr.

The congregation of Central Presbyterian Church, South, yesterday issued a formal call to the Reverend Doctor J. T. Plunkett of Augusta, Ga., to succeed the Reverend A. F. Carr, who has been for the least three years pastor of the church.

From communications which have been exchanged between Doctor Plunkett and L. I. Prince, an elder in the church, it is be lieved that the call will be accepted.

An effort will be made to have Doctor Plunkett preach at Central Church next Sunday, and, in the message which will be sent him to-day by the elders this invitation will be extended. Yesterday's call is the second which has been issued to the Reverend Doctor Plunkett by the congregation. He declined a call made three years

ago.

The Reverend R. P. Farris preached at both morning and evening services yester-day, and will preach next Sunday if Doctor Plunkett finds himself unable to come to this city at once. Should Doctor Plunkett accept the call, but require a delay of a few weeks until a successor is called to his present charge, First Presbyterian Church of Augusta, arrangements will be made by the Executive Board of the Cen-tral Church from week to week. The pa-pers containing the call to Doctor Plunkett were made out yesterday afternoon and signed by John Baron, John F. Green, Doctor R. B. Logan, Lawrence L. Prince, Hen-ry M. Know, Louis Phile, C. McClung Thompson, Doctor D. G. Tutt and E. G.

Thompson, Doctor Tutt.

Tutt.

The Reverend A. F. Carr, the retiring pasto, left this city last week and is now at Guilfport, Miss., his home. It is believed that a call will be issued to him soon from some Southern church.

BUSY WITH COMMITTEE LIST. Sherman Expects Early Adjust-

ment of Apportionment. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

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Springfield, Ill., March 3.—This promises to be a dull week in the General Assembly. The members of the Senate have entered into an agreement to transact no business until March 12, and the sessions of that body will be merely perfunctory, while those in the House are likely to be devoid of any particular interest.

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Among the last declarations made by Speaker Sherman before he left for his home last week was a statement to the effect that no more committees would be appointed until after the apportionment bilis are out of the way. As the Speaker has been working on his committee list, it is evident that he is expecting an early settlement of the differences among the Republican members in respect to redistricting the State.

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With the apportionment bills out of the way, the Legislature will proceed to 'ac work of general legislation. Aside from the appropriation bills and a few bills of ceneral character, the Assembly will have little to consider. When Governor Yates was inaugurated, he promised that in case he desired to call the attention of the Assembly to any needed legislation, he would send in a special message. At that time he knew of nothing which demanded especial attention from the executive office, and it is not believed that he has since found anything worth a special message.

There will be considerable stir during the week over the hard roads bills which have been introduced into the Assembly. The country members are organizing against the measure as they did four and two years ago, and they are urging the people in the rural districts to make known their opposition to any bill for the building of hard roads by special taxation.

The Senate Elections Committee will finish counting the vote of Jackson County on Tuesday, and will then take up Monroe. Little interest is taken in the contest by members or Republican leaders. It is generally conceded that Alden will retain his seat.

SOLDIERS UNDER GUARD.

Ten Prisoners Who Mutinied Will Be Tried in Manila.

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REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

El Paso, Tex., March 3.—The train bearing the 400 New York recruits to the Philippines who mutinied at Ennis, Tex., reached here to-day and, after a brief stop, left for San Francisco. The soldiers were under close guard and the car doors were locked.

Ten prisoners were held in irons in one of the cars. They will be tried at Manila. The San Antonio guards report that several of the recruits fought one another on the westward journey, and one man had his finger almost bitten off.

A number of men deserted at various points along the line.

\$27.50 to San Francisco, Los Angeles

and other California points every Tuesday in February, March and April Vla M. K. & T. Ry. Through Tourist Sleeping Cars on "Katy Flyer," \$:16 p m. every Tuesday to San Francisco via San Antonio, El Paso and Los

Judge Jacob Grear's Funeral. AEPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Jonesboro, III., March 2.—The body of Jacob Grear was interred here to-day. He was born in this county, served in the Mexican War in Colonel Bissell's regiment and has continually held the office of Justice of Peace for forty years. He was 74 years old, and was widely known in Southern Illinois.

Imitations of our Budweiser Label have again entered some markets, and complaints that inferior beers are being substituted for our Budweiser have been received. We are compelled—for our own protection—to publish a warning to the public. Our Budweiser is sold under the one weil-known label, bearing that name; and the word "Budweiser" appears upon every cork. Substitution of one beer for another, and deception of every kind, is impossible if the consumer is on the alert.

Anheuser—Busch Brewing Ass'n. Warning.

McDonald-Rendleman Wedding. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Alto Pass, Ill., March 3.—John L. McDonald of Campbell Hill, night operator
for the Mobile and Ohlo Railroad, was
married to-day to Miss Cora Rendleman of
Mountain Glen by the Reverend H. H.

Aurora, Mo., March 3.—Clyde Johnson, a young man, 20 years old, residing at Mount Vernon, was killed by a Frisco train here some time last night. His father is O. P. Johnson, a well-known citizen of Mount Vernon.

MORE RAILROAD DEALS SEEM NEAR.

Wall Street Would Not Be Surprised to See the St. Louis and San Francisco Absorbed.

STEEL TRUST AN EXPERIMENT. FEARS A CORRUPT PRIMARY. ALL CLASSES ARE INVOLVED.

Outcome of the Gigantic Trust of Trusts a Matter of Speculation-Copper Settlement Rumors.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL

New York, March 3 .- Liquidation of spec ulative accounts, much of which represented misconception and disappointment over the terms of the steel trust combination plan, made the stock market heavy and irregular during the first half of the week. The manipulated boom in the steel company shares which opened the market on Monday lasted only an hour, and was followed by urgent selling of stocks of all classes. The declines forced by these sales led to rather general liquidation by speculators, and some heavy short selling, and resulted in sharp declines throughout the list. But before the close of the week there was a distinct change in the character of the market. Buying of an evidently important sort appeared, and, offsetting the continuing sales, turned the course of prices and brought about extensive recoveries. As

a result, the market closed on Saturday strong in tone and promising well. The announcement of Mr. Morgan's steel combination was the all important event of the week. That the United States Steel Corporation's creation is an epoch-making matter there can be small doubt. The formation of such a trust of trusts, with an unprecedented capitalization, of which so much represents good will and water, must be regarded primarily as an experiment. There is small reason to doubt that the

Morgan plan, gigantic as it is, will "go It was inevitable that the steel combination should have been arranged without a clash and a quarrel and the making of bad

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the Moore interests were remarkably successful in getting what they demanded for their American tinpiate steel hoop, sheet steel and national steel companies, all of which go into the new concern on unexpectedly favorable terms. What was first offered for these properties was promptly refused, and the whole steel deal was neld up until Mr. Morgan came to Judge Moore's terms. That Judge Moore had the whip hand was not pleasing to Mr. Morgan, but it was successful as an argument.

But John W. Gates and his friends, who tried the same plan, fared differently. Mr. Gates laughed at the terms offered by Mr. Morgan for Steel and Wire. He wanted even more than the tin-plate shareholders received, and, according to rumor, he wanted, in addition, personal recognition and a conspicuous place for himself. In support of these claims he is said to have made threats. Then Mr. Morgan laughed, and the last laugh was best. When the deal was made public it was found that Steel and Wire shares fared relatively worse than those of any other company, and the weakness of Mr. Gates's position was shown by the management's acceptance of 102½ per cent for their common shares.

As a result the nursing of wounds has been a popular pastime in the corridors of the Waldorf-Astoria of late, and Wall street has been rather pleased with the spectacle.

Anticipating official statements as to the United States Steel Corporation, the Steel Trust shares showed new and significant strength at the close of the week, and other industrial company shares also became active, and, in some instances, buoyant.

Sugar Trust has been conspicuously strong and there have been indications that official acknowledgement of the settlement of the sugar and coffee trade's war is near at hand.

Another corporation warfare, which, according to rumor, is upon the eve of settlement of the quarrel, which were circulated for stock-jobbing purposes, met prompt denial and, if the court proceedings show anything, the quarrel is still a bitter one.

New railroad alliances seem

When the Eyes Tire Ensity

Spectacles should be worn. Dr. Bond, expert optician at Mermod & Jaccard's,Broad way and Locust, will examine your eyes free of charge, and if spectacles are needed he will fit them accurately. Steel frames \$1 and up; gold, \$5 and up.

SHOT WITH A TARGET PISTOL.

One of Three Boys Wounds Passing Lad.

Gerald Albelt, 14 years old, of No. 3419 Olive street, was shot in the right high with a target pistol by one of three unidentified boys yesterday at noon. All of the boys, who are about his own age, escaped. Albeitz was passing the mouth of the alley on Cardinal avenue, between Pine and Olive streets, when one of three boys who were playing with a revolver fired a shot at him. After the shooting the boys ran down to Ewing and Laclede avenues. Albeitz was taken to the City Dispensary, where Doctor Vogel gressed the wound.

Engraved Letter Heads. announcements, high-class business and professional stationery executed at very reasonable prices in the stationery factory of Mermod & Jaccard's, Broadway and Lo-

VILLAVERDE TO FORM CABINET.

Will Present List of Ministers to the Regent To-Day.

Madrid, March 3.—Senor Villaverde, who was Minister of Finance in the Silvela Cabinet, has agreed, after consulting with Senor Silvela, to undertake the formation of a Cabinet. He will present a list of proposed members to the regent to-morrow. Queen Maria Christina received General Azcarraga, the retiring Premier, at noon to-day, but he again declined to attempt to organize a ministry.

The regent is endeavoring to solve the crisis without a change of policy.

To cleanse the system in a gentle and truly beneficial manner, when the Springtime comes, use the true and perfect remedy, Syrup of Figs. Buy the genuine, Manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only, and for sale by all druggists, at 50 cents per bottle.

JEALOUS HUSBAND'S ACT.

Shot His Wife and a Neighbor and Killed Himself.

Beloit, Wis., March 3.—Homer Payne, a mechanic, aged 45 years, shot his wife and Arthur Cady, a neighbor, of whom he was jealous. Then, placing the revolver to his head, he killed himself instantly. Mrs. Payne will recover. Mr. Cady was not seriously injured.

For Exceptionally Fine Quality The Clarets and Burgundles of J. Calvet & Co. enjoy a world-wide reputation.

Johnson, a well-known citizen of Mount The Clarets and Burgundles of J. Calvet & Co. enjoy a world-wide reputation.

Don't Buy a Shoe or Boot Until You Soe Harris

Shoe Company, 520 Pine St. 10:30 Saturday.

James Yarbrough Killed.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Ste. Genevieve, Mo., March 3.—The city of Ste. Genevieve is mourning from preumoning. Father West Dallas to-day and Rilled.

To Cure Headache is 10 Minute.

Take Parker's Headache Powders. They are and sure. All drugsists. Price 10c.

POLITICAL SPEECH FROM THE PULPIT.

ponents of Republican Slate Candidates.

Says Money Is Ready to Buy Election Judges and Clerks in Interest of People Whom He Does Not Favor.

The Reverend Doctor W. W. Boyd, pastor of Second Baptist Church, made a redhot Republican political speech, instead of a sermon, from the pulpit of Temple Shaare

Emeth last night. The speech was full of bitter denuncia tion of what the speaker termed the disreputable elements in the Republican party and an appeal for support for the slate candidates in the primary to-morrow. Incldentally, everything Democratic was flercely denounced. In announcing his subject,

Doctor Boyd said: "Laying aside all formalities and speaking to you face to face, and as friend to friend, I wish to beg your indulgence for the forcible manner in which I am compelled to

the discussion of its moral aspect naturally falls within the jurisdiction of a pastor and every pastor, naturally, exercises a certain amount of influence, but on next Tuesday afternoon, at the Republican primary election, I wish that I had a forty-parson-power, "It is interesting to note the origin of the primary in politics, and to what extent it has been diverted from the purposes for which it was originally intended. Home-rule is the fundamental law of all municipalities and it was for the purpose of securing home law that primaries were devised. It was a primitive policy of the Goths that where the laws were administered, the laws were made, but with us the laws are admin-istered in St. Louis, but made in Jefferson

"From the landing of the first settlers in this country home rule was the dominant principle of all laws of the colonists, until It was embodied in the Constitution; and in the town meetings the citizens received their training for the wide field of public

their training for the wide field of public life.

"When citizens may, without fear or intimidation, cast their ballots and have them honestly counted, under a fair registration, then we will secure the best local self government, but if false registration, intimidation and ballot-box stuffing are resorted to, then the right of local self government is taken away, and a fatal blow struck at human liberty.

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The primary has been modified by the machine until it has been rendered disgusting by the manipulation of the boss, who subjects the will of others to his own for dishonest purposes. The boss is the product of the modern political machine, supported by the City Central Committee. He calls such members of the committee as he can rely upon together and names a slate. The committeemen call for delegates, who are pledged for this slate, and the clitzen is forced to cast his individual ballot, or vote for this prearranged slate. The result is that the better class of clitzens become disgusted and say. What is the use of going to the primaries? But it is just as easy for honest clitzens to get together and form a slate as for the hoodlums. It was for this reason that the reputable citizens decided to have open primaries on the same day all over the city and vote for the candidates direct instead of having precinct and ward delegations, but the success of the plan depends upon the honest voters of the city.

All honest Republicans should go to the primaries and vote, for honorable and upright men. There is grave danger that at these primaries honest sentiment may be overthrown by a deliberate plot, by the employment of 'Indiana'. There never was a jeriol in the history of the city more critical than now, as these Indians are determined to nominate a man they can use. They are murderers, thleves and outlaws of

cel than now, as these Indians are determined to nominate a man they can use. They are murderers, thieves and outlaws of all descriptiors, who are working for a wide-open city. These are the agents relied upon by politicians to overcome honest votes at Tuesday's primaries. Arrangements are already made, and the money ready to buy the judges and clerks at the different polling places. There is danger that the lowest and vilest of both parties will unite to nominate and elect the opponent of the man who is the choice of the best Republicans.

DIDN'T HEAR ORDER, "HANDS UP."

Charles Keehan, a Deaf-Mute, Brutally Beaten and Robbed in Shadow of City Hospital.

Charles Keehan, a deaf-mute, who is employed at the City Hospital as a cook, didn't hear two highwaymen when they ordered "hands up" and was immediately pounced upon, beaten and robbed. The hold-up occurred in the shadow of

the City Hospital walls. Keehan left the hospital at 9 o'clock and turned south on Seventeenth street. He had gone but fifty feet from the hospital gate, when two men, one white and the other a negro, confronted him, and demanded that he hold up his hands. Keehan kept his hands at his sides. This angered the highwaymen, and they at-tacked Keehan. They knocked him down and searched his pockets, taking \$35 and his hat.

The robbers ran west on Chestnut street and disappeared. Keehan was forced to re-turn to the hospital and borrow car fare.

Wedding Rings (Solid Gold), Finest workmanship, \$3.00 to \$20.00. Mermod & Jaccard's, Broadway and Locust,

SALOONKEEPERS BALKY.

Indictments Will Be Issued for Disobeying Sunday-Closing Law.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Houston, Tex., March 3.—As a result of the vigilance of the Anti-Saloon League about 200 saloonkeepers will be indicted tomorrow for falling to observe the regulations as to closing their places between the hours of 9 a. m. and 4 p. m. on Sunday. At a recent meeting of the Anti-Saloon League it was given out that the Houston saloons must obey the laws in every particular, and they were given notice to this effect by the attorncy for the league.

To-day Mr. Edgar Watkins, attorney for the league, had fifteen men out getting evidence, and the indictments will be filed as a result of their finding.

KING EDWARD RETURNS.

Arrives in London After His Visit to Cronberg.

London, March 3.-King Edward arrived in London this evening from the Continent. Have your watches and jewelry repaire by the expert workmen at Mermod & Jaccard's repair shop, Broadway and Locust.

James Yarbrough Killed.

"FATE OF ST. LOUIS IN THE BALANCE,"

Doctor Boyd Bitterly Attacks Op. W. L. Sheldon Says Mob Spirit Must Be Overcome if City Is to Make Progress.

Destiny of the Community, He Says, Depends Upon the Police Board and Its Attitude Toward Lawlessness.

W. L. Sheldon, lecturer of the St. Louis Ethical Society, spoke at Memorial Hall yesterday morning on "A Plea for St

Louis." In part, Mr. Sheldon said: "To my mind, St. Louis in the next tw or three years is to go through the greatest crisis since the Civil War. The future of our city for weal or woe will be determined in that interval. What is more, I am not sure but that there may be more woe than weal to come out of it, unless we face the facts now and begin to grapple

with them at once. "The problem before us is not so much one of finance or commerce, not of the material wealth or prosperity of the community. The destiny of our city turns on the one hinge of law and order. And the trouble has been that each class of society tends to look for the evil in some other class, and to demand that the renovation shall begin in that other class first.

"The great uprising of last summer ouch upon as a symptom. It brought disgrace upon us throughout the civilized world. The mob spirit got possession of he community, and would seem to have run almost unchecked for a length of time. But what we fall to see, is that our city But what we fall to see, is that our city had been getting ready for all this for many years; that the conditions were ripe for it; that it could have been anticipated. The system of law and order in our community has been steadily going to pieces, I believe, for the last decade.

When people have power, and a great deal of it, the chances are that certain of them will abuse it. Some of them will do this as labor leaders, some as employers or inanciers, and some as directors corporations, or as the political 'boss.' How much evil they can do will depend on the average moral tone of the community. It is, I fear, a characteristic of St. Louis to await until an evil is fully developed and

await until an evil is fully developed and upon us with all its force before we undertake to grapple with it.

"The present condition of St. Louis, in the demoralization of the City Hall and the police force, as well as in the strained relations between capital and labor, has not come all in a day.

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"The rapid changes in population have made it absolutely necessary to be constanting to the constanting working out new charters, altering laws, amending our institutions. But the only hope for us now is that we shall reach a point when charters can be adopted for our large cities that shall be sufficiently elastic and sufficiently adjustable to be able to stand for at least another hundred years. I have no hesitation in saying that the next great change in the Constitution of the United States will have to be in somehow altering the relations between the large cities and the States in which those cities are located.

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"But if we do not take action pretty soon what happened last summer can happen all over again in the next live or ten years. I assert emphatically that the problem of American municipalities is not so much a financial one as one of law and order. In a certain sense, the destiny of St. Louis in the next twenty-five years is going to be shaped more by the Police Board of our city than by the Mayor or City Council. According to the action of these police boards, St. Louis will go up or go down. Those men will hold the reins of our destinies in their hands. The tuture of our city will depend on whether we can set to a certain degree of stability and have lew thiese in their hands. The future of our city will depend on whether we can set to a certain degree of stability and have law and order in the community.

"But the point we seem to forget is that crimes against person or private property are not the only kind which upset the principle of law and order. There is more than one kind of a mob spirit. It is commonly assumed that if there are no hold-ups, no house burglary, murder, attacks on the person, destruction of private property, or vices of a private nature between one and another, there is peace in the community. Such crimes are one form of the mob spirit. But we are forced to recognize that there is another class of crimes equally grave and equally disastrous to the spirit of iaw and order. It is apparently admitted that our municipalities are corrupt in their methods of government. The thoughfui citizen faces it with shame. Not only that, but this same corruption is recognized as pervading our whole political system. No one party is responsible for it or has a monolopy of it. The inside facts, told us on the quiet, make us uneasy. It means only one thing; the use of money for lilegal purposes, for unworthy ends such as may not be brought clearly to the light of day. And this, too, also involves the mob spirit. The question confronts us: Where does this money in vast amounts come from? Who pays it out? And we are obliged to admit that it comes from a certain part of the well-to-do class, from the most enlightened elements of our community.

The Cause of Corruption. "If legislation is corrupt; if the political life of our municipalities is something to be ashamed of, the sad fact faces us that this corruption must have started from the enlightened or so-called educated classes, the people who had the means by which to bring it about. In a word, what I wish to point out, is, that the same spirit

which to bring it about. In a word, what I wish to point out, is, that the same spirit is tending to pervade all classes of society; that the mob spirit of last summer was a symptom only of this all-pervasive condition, appalling us more on that occasion, simply because it was more visible to the naked eye.

"One class excuses itself because of the acts of the other. The only hope for the future lies in the fact that we shall come to recognize that attacking persons or private property as individuals, and corrupting legislatures or city halls as corporations, emanates from one and the same spirit, and that it is the spirit of the mob. What is needed even more than a Committee of Public Safety to pass on nominations, is a Committee of Public Vigilance to watch what goes on at the City Hall after the elections have taken place. It is not only an issue of watching the men who accept bribes, but even more of exercising vigilance over the men who give bribes.

"The hope for our city is that it has seen its darkest days; that the collapse and depravity in the mixed political conditions of the present moment, and the appalling experience of the mob spirit of last summer may not be repeated. If we let our police system continue to drag in the mire of politics; if the Police Board does not institute a higher order than we have had for the last few years; if the sime conditions prevail in the use of money for securing franchises or legislation or manipulating the votes of the people as heretofore, then I prophesy that worse is to follow.

"This much is to be said; that a change, if it comes at all, must first begin with the enlightened elements of the community. And these elements are supposed to be among the well-to-do classes of our city. The trouble with us as citizens is, that we waste so much time criticising other people or blaming some other class. These ebuiltions of the reform spirit tend to play out because people will not recognize the responsibility which lies at their own thresholds. The renovation must begi

Birth-Month Rings (Solid Gold). For March the Bloodstone, signifying "Courage," \$2.25 to \$18. Mermod & Jac card's, Broadway and Locust.

FATHER F. X. WEISS DEAD.

Body of Noted St. Genevieve Priest Will Be Buried Wednesday.

In 1848 Vicar General Melohor of St. Louis induced him to come to America, and secured for him a mission in Missouri. He therefore came direct to Missouri and was ordained in St. Louis by Bishop O'Reagan on April 27, 1848.

Father Weiss had spent his entire ministry in the State of Missouri and in the county of Ste. Genevieve. He was stationed first at New Offenberg and remained there until the Civil War broke out, and, being a Southern sympathizer, he returned to France, remaining only a year. On his return to this country he founded the Parish of River Aux-Vasse in Ste. Genevieve County, remaining there until 1864, when he was appointed pastor of Ste. Genevieve Parish.

He had been permanent pastor and chief executive of the parish until one year ago, when, on account of increasing infirmitles, he resigned the administration of the parish into the hands of his assistant, the Reverend Father C. L. Van Tourenhout, who has been associated with him for the last twelve years.

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Father Weiss was one of the few of the Catholic clergy who bave been blessed with the privilege and pleasure of celebrating their golden jubilee. This notable event was celebrated here April 27, 1838, in which Archbishop Kain of St. Louis participated, together with a large number of the clergy and parishloners.

The body will be removed Monday morning from the residence of Mr. Leon H. Healy, where he has made his home for thirteen years, to the church, where it will lie in state until Wednesday morning, and, after a solemn high mass, will be buried in the Valley Spring Cemetery.

STRANGER'S SKULL FRACTURED

Fell Downstairs at Tom Allen's Saloon-Musician Arrested.

Edward Hodo of Granite City, Ill., re-

Edward Hodo of Granite City, Ill., received serious injury early yesterday morning at Tom Allen's saloon, at No. 619 Market street. He is now at the City Hospital suffering from a fracture of the skull.

Officer Schielfstein of the Central Police District saw Hodo fall down a flight of stairs at the saloon at 1:40 o'clock yesterday morning. Hodo alighted upon his head and was rendered unconscious. A moment after Hodo had fallen, Jesse Garraher, a musician employed in the saloon, came down the stairs. The policeman placed him under arrest pending investigation of the case.

Hodo was taken to the hospital, but for a long time could not talk. When he recovered consciousness he stated that he had come to St. Louis Saturday evening, and had been drinking before he entered Tom Allen's place. He would not say how he happened to be upstairs at the Allen saloon, and in response to queries whether he had been fighting with anybody or had been shoved down the stairs, he replied that he "could not remember."

Carraher said that a man named "Red" had told him that there was a drunken man in a room above the saloon. He avers that he went up to investigate, but that, he drunken man reeled out and fell down the stairs.

COAL MINING SCALE.

Joint Committee of Miners and Operators Will Convene To-Day.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Springfield, Ill., March 3.—The joint Subscale Committee of miners and operators will reconvene at 1 o'clock to-morrow afternoon, and it is believed that the mining scale for the ensuing year will be agreed upon in the course of the day. The scale for day laborers and drivers will be a more difficult proposition and, though the miners will make a strong effort to enforce their demand for a 10-per-cent increase, it is believed the scale of last year will be readopted, with a few unimportant changes. The question of compelling the hoisting engineers to come into the miners' union will be strongly contested, but the prospect is that the combination between the engineers and operators will be too strong for the miners' organization in the end.

MRS. DELLA SPELLEN IS DEAD. Succumbs After Long Illness Re sulting From Grip.

Mrs. Della Spellen, wife of David A Spellen, dled early yesterday morning at her home, No. 3544 Pine street, after an illness of six weeks, resulting from grip. Her husband and their five grown children were all with her in her last moments. The funeral will take place to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock from St. Francis Xavier's Church, Grand avenue and Lin-dell bouleyard. Mrs. Spellen was 52 years old, and was

she was Miss Della Cartan FOUND SIXTEEN WATCHES.

Boys Unearth Booty Concealed Near Brewery at Litchfield.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Pana, Ill., March 3.—While at play in
the vicinity of the old brewery, at Litchfield, yesterday, Roy Carper, Jesse Cress,
Harry Pucket and Will Case, five boys,
found sixteen gold and silver watenes.
They were turned over to Chief of Police
Gerhardt. The watches bear no mark of
any kind and there is no clew as to where
they came from they came from

Best Offices in St. Louis, Both for location and up-to-date improve ments, for rent, \$17.50 per month and upward, in the new fireproof Mermod & Jaccard building, Broadway and Locust.

Died at Xenia, Ill. John Pritchett, 73 years old, who was well known in St. Louis, died at Nenia, Ill., at 10:30 o'clock Saturday night, after a brief illness, Mr. Pritchett formerly was Justice of the Peace at Xenia. He leaves a widow and sleven shidten. and eleven children.

MERMOD & JACCARD'S

Daily____ Special Offers

Easter soon will be here, and we are already receiving the many exquisitely beautiful novelties in jewelry for the coming social season. New ideas in handsome diamond rings and brooches, quaint and beautiful designs in hat pins for spring wear, stylish solid silver and solid gold mesh purses, which add so greatly to a walking costume. We cannot tell you of all the new and beautiful articles we have. Come and see them. You know you are always welcome, even if you are not ready to purchase. Come and see the rare gems, the brilliant silverware and cut glass display, and the wonderful art wares. You will find plenty to interest and entertain you.

Fine Diamonds.

selling the finest diamonds at low The table forks to match of course prices as ours. Another reason for come a little higher. our success is that our expert designers and diamond setters mount them so beautifully.

Diamond Rings-We are showing many entirely new designs of very fine diamond solitaire rings at \$15, \$25, \$35, \$50, \$60, \$80 and \$100. They will please you. We have others up to \$2,500.

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British Columbia to Enforce the Law Against the United States. Law Against the United States.

Rossland. British Columbia. March 2.—E
P. Bremner of Vancouver and Edward Williams, Dominion Labor Commissioners,
have been looking into the matter of alien
labor, and as a result of their efforts sixteen
men in the employ of Messrs. Winters,
Parsons and Boomer, who have a contract
to do some work for the Red Mountain Raliroad, were ordered deported. The contractors will send these men back to the United
States, where they were engaged. This is
the first time a case of the kind has come
up in this Province, and the penalty of II.
0.0 fine for each contract laborer brought
in was not enforced. The Commissioners
stated that in the future the law would be
enforced to the letter. The intention of the
Dominion authorities is to protect the
Canadian workers from unfair competition.

TAKES DAUGHTER TO POLICE.

George Schmidt Says the Girl Will Not Stay at Home.

George Schmidt, a carpenter, living at No. 231 Texas avenue, took his daughter, Katy to the Four Courts yesterday afternoon and requested the police to keep her in retirement until he could make arangements to place her in the Convent of the Good Shepherd, Captain Reynolds placed her in the charge of Matron Kintzing.

Katy is 14 years old, but she appears to be much older. Her father said that she is incorrigible, and he, cannot keep her at home. He met her on Broadway yesterday afternoon and conducted her to the Four Courts. She said she was put out of the house by her father two months ago, Since then, she said, she has been living with a friend at Jesseron avenue and Lynch street.

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